Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, October 5, 2015, 4:30 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor John Clark

Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire Alderman Michele Mitchell Alderman Darrell Duncan Alderman Tommy Olterman Alderman Tom C. Parham

City Administration

Jeff Fleming, City Manager
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney
James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Clark.

2. ROLL CALL: By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.

- 3. **MEADOWVIEW UPDATE.** Mr. John Rothkopf gave a presentation on this item and provided a history over the past year. Although the convention center and the golf course were down some, the booking of rooms was much better, making for an overall good year. He talked about potential threats as well as opportunities the hotel will be facing. Mr. Rothkopf also provided details on the impact of social media. There was some discussion.
- 4. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE OCTOBER 6, 2015 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Fleming and members of staff gave a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:
- VI.A.1 Amend Zoning of the Enterprise Place Property Located at the Terminus of Enterprise Place (AF: 263-2015). City Planner Ken Weems stated this was an owner requested rezoning and provided details on the property. Discussion followed.
- VI.A.2 Annex and Adopt Plan of Service for the O'Neill Annexation and Amend Zoning (AF: 272-2015). City Planner Corey Shepherd presented this owner-requested annexation. He pointed out the property would be split-zoned to provide a buffer for the residential neighborhood.
- VI.B.3 Appropriate Funding from the Criminal Forfeiture Fund (AF: 247-2015). City Manager Fleming pointed out this funding can only be used for specific things.
- VI.B.5 Appropriate Funds for the Fleet Fund (AF: 266-2015). City Manager Fleming gave details on this item, noting 19 vehicles will be converted to propane fuel. He asked Fleet Manager Steve Hightower to provide further details at the business meeting tomorrow night so more of the public would be able to hear about it.

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- VI.B.6 Amend Various Code Sections Pertaining to Code Enforcement Officers (AF: 262-2015). Curtis Montgomery, Planning, pointed out this item came before the board a few months ago regarding the position of the code enforcement officer. Development Services Director Lynn Tully added this code amendment primarily covers the ability to write citations for the code enforcement officer and building inspectors. Vice-Mayor McIntire commented this basically changes the language to meet what we're already doing. In response to Alderman George, Ms. Tully provided information on what other cities are doing. There was some discussion.
- VI.D.1 Agreement for Paramedic/EMT Clinical Ride-Alongs (AF: 226-2015). City Manager Fleming explained this item would allow for Northeast State students to ride along with the Fire Department. He pointed out this is similar to the arrangements in other cities with colleges, including Johnson City and Morristown.
- VI.D.3 Amend Agreement with TDOT for Portable Camera Equipment Purchase (AF: 267-2015). City Manager Fleming discussed this item, noting it was a great benefit for the city with the ability to be run remotely.
- VI.D.4 Riverbend Redevelopment Plan and Tax Increment Financing Amendment for the Riverbend Project Area (AF: 264-2015). Development Services Director Tully gave a presentation on this item. She noted the estimated tax collection was raised to almost six million dollars. City Manager Fleming provided further details. Alderman Parham commented this was an investment opportunity with no cost.

BOARD COMMENT. None.

PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

6. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Clark adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

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